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FM AMEMBASSY KUWAIT

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AMEMBASSY KINSHASA

AMEMBASSY TOKYO

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ALSO FOR EXIMBANK

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SUBJECT: POSSIBLE JOINT US-KUWAIT INVESTMENT IN

ZAIRE ALUMINUM PROJECT

REF: KUWAIT 4081 (NOTAL)

1. DCM HAS RECEIVED COMMERCIAL CABLE FROM FORMER  
AMBASSADOR TO AUSTRALIA WALTER RICE REGARDING VISIT  
TO KUWAIT NOVEMBER 12-19 HE AND LOUIS REYNOLDS MAKING  
IN CONNECTION WITH POSSIBLE REYNOLDS METALS-KUWAIT  
JOINT INVESTMENT IN ZAIER ALUMINUM PROJECT.  
REYNOLDS OFFICIALS DISCUSSED PROJECT IN WASHINGTON  
WITH KUWAIT MINISTER OF FINANCE ATEEQI LAST  
SUMMER, AND KUWAIT TRIP IS TO FOLLOW-UP ON THESE  
DISCUSSIONS.

2. FOR TOKYO: EMBASSY TOKYO REQUESTED PASS  
FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM DCM FRANK MAU TO AMBASSADOR RICE  
AT OKURA HOTEL, TOKYO WHERE HE WILL BE STAYING UNTIL  
NOVEMBER 3: EMBOFF HAS DISCUSSED YOUR VISIT WITH TUTUNJI  
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OF INDUSTRIAL BANK AND WITH FAISAL JAAFAR OF ATEEQI'S

OFFICE. JAAFAR SAID ATEEQI EXPECTS BE OUT OF COUNTRY  
NOVEMBER 12-14 IN CONNECTION WITH OPEC FINANCE MINISTERS  
MEETING. HE SUGGESTED NOVEMBER 15 AS TENTATIVE DATE. YOU  
SHOULD UNDERSTAND THAT SUNDAY NOVEMBER 16 WILL BE BAD DAY  
FOR ATEEQI SINCE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS MEETS  
EVERY SUNDAY.

APPEARS YOU WILL BE ABLE SEE ATEEQI BUT YOU MAY WISH CONFIRM  
YOUR TIME IN KUWAIT IN SECOND CABLE, AND PROBABLY WOULD BE  
USEFUL TO INFORM TUTUNJI ALSO. EMBASSY PREPARED ASSIST YOU  
AS WELL. KEEP IN MIND THURSDAY/FRIDAY COMPRISE LOCAL  
WEEKEND.

3. RE KUWAITI INTEREST IN ZAIRE PROJECT, WE THINK GOK OPEN  
MINDED. THEY WILL WANT TO LOOK CAREFULLY AT ECONOMICS OF  
PROJECT AND DISCUSS CURRENT POLITICAL SITUATION IN ZAIRE.  
WE SUGGEST THAT EARLY DURING YOUR VISIT YOU MEET AMBASSADOR  
STOLTZFUS AND OTHERS IN EMBASSY WHO CAN BRIEF YOU ON  
KUWAITI PERSONALITIES AND INSTITUTIONS WITH WHOM YOU WILL  
BE DEALING. LOOK FORWARD SEEING YOU IN KUWAIT.

4. FOR DEPARTMENT: AS NOTED REFTEL, REYNOLDS-ZAIRE  
PROJECT COULD BE IMPORTANT AS MAJOR KUWAIT-US TRILATERAL  
INVESTMENT IN THIRD, NON-ARAB COUNTRY. WOULD BE HELPFUL  
IF EMBASSY COULD BE PROVIDED WITH BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF  
PROJECT AND ROLE EXIMBANK ENVISAGES ITSELF PLAYING; IF INFO  
AVAILABLE BY NOVEMBER 1 WE COULD DISCUSS WITH TUTINO AND  
BIERMAN HERE.

5. FOR KINSHASA: WE JUDGE THAT GOK WILL BE PARTICULARLY  
INTERESTED IN POLITICAL AND INVESTMENT CLIMATE IN ZAIRE.  
EMBASSY KINSHASA COMMENTS WOULD BE WELCOME.  
STOLTZFUS

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